

LEAGUE DELEGATES WILL ARRIVE TODAY

Several Hundred are Expected To Attend Annual Convention.

RECEPTION THIS EVENING

Conference Will Be In Session Throughout Next Sunday Evening.

Delegates from over the State are arriving in the city to attend the annual session of the North Mississippi Epworth League which will convene here this evening at 8 o'clock. Many prominent league workers are expected here during the week. The opening meeting will be held in the chapel of the Industrial Institute and College after which there will be a reception on the campus.

The conference will continue throughout Sunday, the following being the program for the four days:

THURSDAY.

8:00 p. m., Devotional; Song service; Welcome; Response; The Greatness of the Kingdom and the King; Social hour.

FRIDAY.

6:30 a. m., Quiet hour.
8:30 a. m., Devotional.
9:00 a. m., Business. Committees. Reports of Dist. Sect. and Leagues.
9:40 a. m., President's address.
10:00 a. m., The Master's Methods of Work; The Personal Worker as a Soul Winner; The Personal Worker's Equipment; The Personal Worker's Helps; A Call to Consecration.
11:30 a. m., The Moral Value of Play.
2:30 p. m., Devotional.
2:45 p. m., The Junior Superintendent and Her Work; Report of the Junior Superintendent; The Knights of Ezelah; Sectional Conferences.
8:30 p. m., Address—The World Parish.

SATURDAY.

6:30 a. m., Quiet Hour.
8:30 a. m., Devotional.
9:00 a. m., Business Session—Reports.
9:20 a. m., Report and Message from Third Vice President; A Constructive Program for Recreation for a Community—The Team.
10:00 a. m., What Amusements may our Young People Enjoy?
10:40 a. m., Mission Study Methods
11:00 a. m., Address—Our Responsibility, Our Opportunity, Our Pledge.
2:30 p. m., Devotional.
2:45 p. m., Message from Second Vice President—Social Service—Social Service and Recreation—The Team; Round Table; The Cabinet Meeting; A Business Meeting; A Business Plan for Leagues; Business.

CROWD ENJOYS OPENING OF THE LARGE AIRDOME

First Performance of the Open Air Theatre Given Last Evening.

The Airdome, the large open air theatre which has recently been erected on South market street, was opened last evening and hundreds of people were present to enjoy the first show given at this place of amusement. The Airdome is owned by Mr. E. L. Kuykendall, the popular manager of the Princess Theatre. Shows will be given at the Airdome each evening that the weather permits, and matinee will take place at the Princess. In case of cloudy or rainy weather the night performances will also be given at the Princess.

FRANK'S HOPE NOW LIES IN U. S. SUPREME COURT

Atlanta Slayer May Not Be Able to Appeal Case to That Tribunal.

Atlanta, June 8.—Whether the long series of court defeats which Leo Frank and his lawyers have steadily suffered since the original conviction will end on the gallows or by the interference of the United States supreme court seems to be about the only question left in Georgia's cause celebre.

Following the action of Judge Ben Hill in sustaining the state's demurrer and throwing out of court the motion of the defense for a new trial the attorneys for Frank will prepare an appeal to the state supreme court, but it is the opinion of leading lawyers here outside the case that it is United States supreme court or nothing.

Whether the Frank defense can carry the case to the United States supreme court or not is a question on which there is a wide difference of opinion in legal circles.

The final termination, whether in Frank's execution or in a new trial, is yet a long way off. Frank will certainly spend all this summer and possibly a considerable part of the fall in his cell in the Fulton county jail.

Mr. Preston Fant, who has been attending Millsaps college during the past session, has returned home for the summer.

Dr. W. W. Woollard spent several days the past week at Jackson attending the commencement exercises of Millsaps College.

8:30 p. m., Address.

SUNDAY.

6:30 a. m., Quiet Hour.
11:00 a. m., Annual Sermon.
3:00 p. m., Mass Meeting Addressed by Leaders.
8:30 p. m., Sermon; Consecration of Officers; Benediction.

GOVERNOR REPLIES TO ISSUE ARTICLE

Says That "Poisonous Lies Have Been Mailed to Jurymen."

EXCORIATES THEO. BILBO

Brewer Makes A Scorching Statement In Reference to Lieutenant Governor.

Jackson, Miss., June 6.—Governor Brewer to-night handled Lieutenant Governor Bilbo without gloves, in a scorching statement given out at the mansion shortly before midnight. It follows:

"I notice in the Issue of June 4, the whole front page of the paper is devoted to a statement that detectives had been employed to canvass and poll the First district of Hinds county in an effort to stock a jury in the Bilbo case. The article says that this was done by the governor.

"I want to tell the people of Mississippi, as their governor, that this statement is as false as hell itself, that I have employed no detective or any other person to ascertain how any juror or citizen stood regarding the case.

"I do not regard such conduct as honorable and straight, and I have not spoken to anybody with a view of ascertaining his feeling. I have absolutely abstained from having anything to do with this case as it is in the hands of the court, and is for the court and jury to try, uninfluenced by me, and it is wholly untrue that I have made any effort to stack any jury or any other court on this fellow.

"Now I want to let the people of Mississippi know what is going on. The defendant, Theodore G. Bilbo, as soon as his case was removed to this county, procured J. P. Cadwallader, deputy circuit clerk of this county, to make him twelve lists containing all the names in this district of the county, subject to jury service, and immediately set to work with his canvassers, canvassing the entire county. He began mailing the Issue to every qualified elector of this district of the county, and this paper was crammed full of the most highly prejudicial falsehoods that human ingenuity could invent for the purpose of poisoning the minds of every man subject to jury service, and render him incompetent to try the case.

"I want to tell the people of Mississippi that this is the boldest effort to stack a jury and prevent a fair trial that has ever taken place in Mississippi.

"The paper further says that the governor can hire detectives and buy evidence by the yard, or bushel, or in bulk, but when that evidence is submitted to an honest jury its tainted source is understood and it is rejected.

"The object and purpose of the above statement was to prejudice the minds of any person who might be drawn on the jury against the evidence. If this man wants a fair trial, why is it so necessary to week after week criticize the state's case, and claim that the state's case is based upon perjured detective testimony? Why accuse the governor of hiring detectives and scouring the county? I tell the people of Mississippi that Theodore Bilbo's guilt will be established beyond every reasonable doubt by competent high class Christian gentlemen, who are not detectives, and that he knows it, and his only hope to escape conviction is by prejudicing the jury about the evidence or stacking a jury to acquit him.

"When he hollers through his paper that I am interviewing jurors or having it done by others it's the vilest kind of falsehood, coming from a man who is

CROP CONDITIONS SHOW QUITE AN IMPROVEMENT

Commercial Appeal Issues Report on Growth of Cotton in the South.

Crops throughout the south have made much progress during the past several days and conditions now look very favorable. The following is the report of the Commercial Appeal of Monday:

"On the whole conditions surrounding the growing cotton crop have somewhat improved during the two weeks covered by this report, and fair progress has been made by the crop. Fair weather has come to the west and work has been resumed, while local rains have greatly relieved drought conditions in the east.

"In the west there is yet much to be desired, especially in Texas, Lowlands are badly overflooded and much acreage will be abandoned on this account. However with the coming of fair weather the plant took on a more healthy hue, work in the fields was rushed, much cotton was chopped out and planting was rushed almost to completion. The crop west of the river averages late, but farmers are bending every effort toward doing their part to regain lost ground.

"The crop east of the river that is up is almost perfect, aside from a somewhat small plant in localities. The dry weather has allowed unlimited work in the fields, with the result that cultivation is almost perfect and crops are clean. The late planted cotton that has not come up constitutes the one deterrent factor in the crop in that section. Just what percentage of the crop this constitutes it would be hard to estimate, but aside from the Carolinas, it is not large. Where rains have fallen cotton is rapidly coming to good stands. Further rains would improve stands by bringing up the late planting.

"In the west a continued period of several days of fair weather would bring out the crop wonderfully.

"Boll weevil in large numbers have been found in fested acres of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Texas."

New Soda Dispenser.

Mr. Tom Keys, of Jackson, Tenn., arrived in the city Tuesday and has accepted a position as dispenser at L. E. Lide's, the druggist. Mr. Keys has the reputation of being one of the finest soda dispensers in the south and Mr. Lide considers himself quite fortunate in securing the services of this young man.

Spelling Match Friday Night

The ladies of the Missionary Society of the Central Methodist church will give a spelling bee at the B. of L. E. hall on East Main street Friday evening beginning at 8 o'clock. A special musical program will be rendered and refreshments will be served. Everybody is invited to attend.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to return thanks to all friends who extended assistance during the illness of our beloved father, Mr. Dan Jacobs, and for their kind expressions of condolence and sympathy received subsequent to his death. We sincerely appreciate these courtesies, and ever hold dear the friends who so generously remembered us during our grief and distress.

A. M. Jacobs and Relatives.

We must vacate our store Sept 1st. We must sell the entire stock. Carter & Chapman.

engaged in the very business he is accusing me of, and is another instance of a thief running down the street hollering 'stop the thief'."

REBELS MAY ENTER INTO PEACE PLANS

Carranza Is Not Expected to Consent to an Armistice.

DEMAND REPRESENTATION

Indications Point to Some Form of Constitutionalist Participation in Negotiations.

Washington, June 9.—Every indication in Washington today pointed to some form of constitutional participation in the Niagara Falls mediation conference, tending toward the settlement of international differences affecting the Huerta government as well as the internal troubles in Mexico. It was expected that the definite position of Carranza would be communicated to Niagara Falls before many hours.

Some of the constitutionalists here in touch with their leader insisted tonight that Carranza would not consent to an armistice, but that he would agree to peace proposals as they relate to establishment of a provisional government pending a general election, provided representation is given in the provisional government to the constitutionalists.

Should Carranza refuse a cessation of hostilities, it seemed improbable here that his representatives would be received in the mediation conference.

Warns Stock Raisers.

As I have found several outbreaks of black leg, highly contagious of young cattle, also hog cholera through the country, I deem it my duty to issue this warning. Burn or bury all dead animals no matter what they die of. This is the State law and must be complied with to prevent infection being carried by dogs and buzzards. Only treatment for this disease prevented by vaccination.

Respectfully,
John Oliver, D. S.,
State Veterinarian.

Near Serious Accident.

Mrs. Louis Walker was painfully though not seriously injured about 7 o'clock Tuesday evening while out riding with her little son, Jack, and Mrs. W. F. Patty. They were turning the corner at Hirschman's store on Main and Market street when their buggy hit an obstruction, causing Mrs. Walker to be thrown to the ground. The horse which they were driving became frightened and before being stopped ran two blocks west on Main street. Mrs. Patty and the young man remained in the buggy, neither of them having received injuries.

Here For Safe Keeping.

C. C. Kemp, a white man of Oktibbeha county, who killed M. A. Shurden, a citizen of Sturgis last Monday morning, was brought to Columbus Monday evening by Deputy Sheriff Rufus Nichols, and placed in the Lowndes county jail.

The killing was the result of a difficulty which occurred several months ago. For fear of mob violence it was thought best that Kemp be brought to this city for safe keeping.

Street Sweeper Arrives.

The street sweeping machine which was purchased several weeks ago by the city officials has arrived and was placed in operation for the first time on Saturday evening. The sweeper was purchased from the Studebaker Manufacturing Company of South Bend, Ind., for the sum of \$250.

HIGH GRADE CATTLE WILL BE SOLD AT AUCTION HERE

Two Hundred and Fifteen Head Will Be Disposed Of Saturday.

Maxwell, Spayde & Atkins, of St. Joseph, who have gained quite a reputation throughout the south during the past several months as owners and auctioneers of registered high grade cattle, will conduct a sale at the Farmers' and Shippers' warehouse in this city Saturday.

Two hundred and fifteen head of cattle of the best breeding farms in Missouri will be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

The sale Saturday will begin promptly at 10:30 o'clock and will be held rain or shine. Col. Jack Blagg, the auctioneer with a reputation, will be in charge of the sale.

Quite a number of people from surrounding counties are expected here to bid on the fine stock which will be sold.

NEW MACHINERY BOUGHT BY LOCAL COTTON MILL

Large Sum Is Expended in Purchase of Modern Equipment.

New machinery costing \$15,000 is being installed at the Tombigbee Cotton Mills and will take the place of some that has been used for many years.

The new equipment consists of eighty looms, four double-flyer speeders and two slubbers, and nearly two months will be required to place the machinery.

The mill will probably be closed during the greater part of the time that the new machinery is being installed.

Crowds Attending Carnival.

The Famous Stadium Shows which are in Columbus this week are attracting hundred of people each evening. This company exhibited here last fall during the Week of the Mississippi and West Alabama fair, and gained quite a reputation while in this city.

Mr. J. M. Juvernal, the owner of these shows, has many friends among the Columbus people. His attractions are clean and interesting. An especially good performance is given at the main tent, where many athletic feats such as wrestling, heavy lifting, etc., are enjoyed. The "old plantation" show and the animal show are among the other attractions.

Get A Permit To Smoke.

The Permit cigar is a long, cool, mild, delightful smoke. Costs five cents—worth double.

Mr. J. N. Stuckey left Tuesday night for Mobile and other coast cities where he will spend several days on business.

Mr. T. L. Crumbaugh of Meridian spent Monday in the city on business.

NATCHEZ TO GET NEXT ENCAMPMENT

Mississippi Soldiers to Hold Joint Army Maneuvers During August.

1,300 TO GO INTO CAMP

Twenty-four Companies Two Bands and a Detachment of Hospital Corps Will Attend.

Natchez, Miss June 7.—Adj. Gen. Scales of the Mississippi National Guard tonight announced that the joint army maneuvers will be held at Natchez this year. Lieut.-Col. Nicholson, U. S. A. will be in command of the camp and joint maneuvers.

There will be 24 companies, a detachment of the hospital corps and two bands of the Mississippi National Guard and Company C, Twenty-Ninth Infantry, U. S. A. making a total of 1,300 men in the encampment.

The adjutant-general in company with Col. E. B. Baker, Maj. Andrews H. Patterson, Captain S. Walker, W. W. Harper and Dalby, inspected Duncan Memorial Park, 203 acres, and James Surget's property of 5,100 acres, offered as a site for the camp and maneuvers.

They were accompanied by a committee from the Natchez Chamber of Commerce. A meeting was held tonight, and the adjutant-general told James G. Smith of the committee that he could announce that the joint maneuvers will be held in Natchez. The committee authorized the statement that an elaborate programme of entertainment will be arranged. All the clubs will keep open house.

The park is one mile from the heart of the city and has waterworks connections, which will be enlarged for the encampment.

The Mississippi Central Railroad skirts the park on the east side and has switch tracks on the ground. This road has switching arrangements with the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley and New Orleans & Northwestern roads.

Capt. Walker of Brookhaven and corps of engineers will arrive on July 15 to make a map of the county. They will be quartered in the ante-bellum mansion at the park and will be the guest of the merchants.

Gov. and Mrs. Brewer will attend encampment.

Mrs. M. W. Tate, Mrs. G. W. Cunningham, Mrs. B. M. Buggus, Mrs. Annette Tindel, Miss Bettie Tate and Mr. T. W. Tate, Jr., of Brooksville were in Columbus yesterday to attend the Tate-Simpson wedding.

Dr. V. D. Franks, who has been attending the University of Tennessee during the past session, has returned to his home East of Columbus to spend the summer months.

ONE KILLED AND TWO INJURED IN DISASTROUS BOILER EXPLOSION

Meridian, Miss., June 9.—As a result of an explosion that occurred early yesterday morning at the electric light plant of the Meridian Light and Railway Company, the city of Meridian was in total darkness last night, so far as the streets and avenues were concerned.

That part of the city of Meridian near the electric light plant was alarmed at 6:32 o'clock yesterday morning by an explosion that shook the buildings and caused the residents to at once undertake to locate the cause.

It was the explosion of one of

the big boilers at the plant of the Meridian Light and Railway Company. As a result John Ruffin, a negro, is dead, and T. K. Murrell, assistant electrician, is slightly injured, scalded about the face and head; Andy Cook, a negro, is also slightly injured.

John Ruffin was carried to Turner's hospital by the motor wagon of the fire department just as soon after the accident as possible, and Drs. Gilly and Klein attended him, but he died yesterday afternoon at 1:20 o'clock.

NATION-WIDE PROHIBITION TO BE DISCUSSED BY RULES COMMITTEE

Washington, June 9.—Through a constitutional amendment, national prohibition will be considered tomorrow at a special meeting of the house rules committee. Members of the committee are reticent, but it is understood they will pass on the revised resolution proposed today by Representative Hobson, of Alabama, to meet the opposition to the amendment that he submitted recently on the ground it violates states rights. The proposed amendment provides that

the sale and manufacture for sale and transportation for sale of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes in the United States and all territories and exportation for sale, is forever prohibited.

Majority Leader Underwood is willing for a test vote in the house and declares, with other party leaders, that while the Hobson resolution may command a majority, it would not receive the two thirds vote necessary for passage.